

SCHWAB CHARLES CORP
Form 8-K
October 15, 2010

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

Current Report

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): October 14, 2010

The Charles Schwab Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission File Number: 1-9700

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

94-3025021
(I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

211 Main Street, San Francisco, CA 94105

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(415) 667-7000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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 - “ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 8.01 Other Events

As disclosed previously, The Charles Schwab Corporation (the Company) has been responding to consolidated class action litigation filed between March and May 2008, relating to the Schwab YieldPlus Fund®, an ultra-short bond fund. On April 23, 2010, the Company entered into a settlement agreement with plaintiffs, and without admitting liability, agreed to a total of \$200 million to resolve plaintiffs' federal law claims. On May 14, 2010, the Company entered into a settlement agreement with plaintiffs, and without admitting liability, agreed to resolve plaintiffs' state law claim for \$35 million. The settlement agreements were preliminarily approved by the court on May 26, 2010, and remain subject to final court approval. On October 14, 2010, the court issued an opinion holding that federal securities law class members resident outside of California would not be precluded under the preliminary settlement agreements from bringing a further claim under California law against the defendants. The Company is reviewing the court's opinion in order to determine its implications for the tentative settlement.

Signature(s)

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

THE CHARLES SCHWAB CORPORATION

Date: October 15, 2010

By: /s/ Joseph R. Martinetto

Joseph R. Martinetto
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer